

**VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT
DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS MEDICAL CENTER
COATESVILLE, PA 19320**

OPENING DATE: 07/17/09	POSITION <u>TITLE 38 PROFESSIONAL OPPORTUNITY</u> Director, Geriatrics & Extended Care Patient Care Service The grade and salary will be based on a recommendation by the Professional Standards Board and approved by the Medical Center Director	ANNOUNCEMENT NUMBER MPA #83 FY'09
CLOSING DATE: Until Filled		

PLEASE NOTE:

- Applicants will be required to complete electronic credentialing through Vet Pro.
- Applicants must be a citizen of the United States and must be proficient in spoken and written English as required by 38 U.S.C. 7402(d), 7407(d).
- Applicant must meet the physical requirements of the position (See VA Directive and Handbook 5019).

AREA OF CONSIDERATION: U.S. Citizens

DUTIES: The Director, Geriatrics & Extended Care provides oversight and direction for a 156-bed geriatric nursing care service line that incorporates cultural transformation initiatives and interdisciplinary care initiatives into daily practice. Manage a support team of caregivers consisting of Unit Managers, Nursing Staff, Social Workers, Dieticians, QI Support Staff, as they provide patient care services to veterans in hospice, dementia, and general nursing home and geropsychiatric units. Management functions include program administration, supervision, special program management, resource management, short/long range program planning, development and evaluation.

TOUR OF DUTY: Full time. Monday through Friday, 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM

MINIMUM QUALIFICATION: Applicants must be U.S. citizens; proficient in written/spoken English as required by 38 USC 7402; must have a Master's Degree in Nursing and four (4) years of progressive administrative experience. Must possess a current, active, unrestricted registered nurse State license, and must be a graduate of a school of professional nursing approved by the NLN (National League of Nursing). Applicants must also meet the physical standards for appointment.

HOW TO APPLY: Internal applicants:

- Submit a memorandum referencing this announcement to Kirk Fernitz, Staffing Coordinator (118) that outlines professional RN experience/accomplishments and education.

External Applicants must submit:

- VA Form 10-2850a, Application for Nurses and Nurse Anesthetists
- OF 306, Declaration for Federal Employment
- Complete résumé
- Official transcripts
- Verification of current, active RN State licensure
- Veterans must submit form DD-214 (Certificate of Discharge); 10 point preference eligible veterans should complete and attach form SF-15 (Application for 10 Point Veterans Preference) along with a letter (dated within the last 12 months) from the Department of Veteran Affairs certifying percent of service-connected disability.

Applications can be mailed to: Coatesville VAMC

**Attn: K. Fernitz (118)
1400 Blackhorse Hill Rd.
Coatesville, PA 19320**

Or Faxed to: 610-380-4376

DRUG TESTING DESIGNATED: In accordance with Executive Order 12564, applicants selected for this position are required to submit to a drug test and receive a negative drug test result prior to appointment. In addition, this position is a drug-testing designated position subject to random testing for illegal drug use.

REMARKS: Management reserves the right to fill this position by other means such as reassignment, transfer, demotion, or hiring from outside the station at any time it is felt that this will result in the recruitment of a better qualified candidate. Discriminatory factors such as sex, race, color, national origin, religion, lawful political or employee organization affiliation, age, marital status, or non-disqualifying handicap, are not considerations in evaluating the qualifications of an employee. This agency provides reasonable accommodations to applicants with disabilities. If you need a reasonable accommodation for any part of the application and hiring process, please notify the agency. The decision on granting reasonable accommodation will be on a case-by-case basis. If you have qualifying experience or education not shown in your personnel folder, you should submit a résumé claiming this additional qualifying experience or education.

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